

DIXIE TUTTLE.

IS IN SERIOUS TROUBLE AGAIN—OUT ON BAIL.

Charged With Defaming the Character of Miss Lena Dowell.

About four years ago Miss Dixie Tuttle, just northwest of Mexico, was fined \$400 in the District Court in St. Louis for sending improper matter thru the mails. Last week she was arrested again on a warrant issued by the State of Missouri charging her with obscenity. She pled not guilty and was released on a \$500 bond signed by her father, to appear tomorrow in Justice Stallings' court in Mexico to stand trial.

It is charged that Miss Tuttle hung on trees along the public highway large placards with matter written thereon intended to defame the character of Miss Lena Dowell, who is a teacher in the Jesse school district.

Miss Tuttle seems to have a brooding and unsound interest in Claude Sansberry, also a school teacher, whom she involves in her placard writing posted on the trees, as she also involved him in anonymous letters when she got into trouble with the Government four years ago.

Further comment is withheld until after the trial. Judge Stallings will have to move into the court house if he expects to accommodate the crowd who will want to hear the case.

THOMPSON.

Mr. Brown Dead—A Shipment of 400 Cattle—Personal Mention.

Miss Mabel Davis was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mayer, in Centralia, last week.

H. T. Gant got out two cars of butcher stuff over the Wabash Sunday night.

O. B. Davis shipped by the Wabash Sunday one car of good heifers.

Mrs. R. L. Davis and daughter, Mrs. Ed. Mayes, returned Sunday from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hord Davis.

A. J. Hall sold to G. W. Grubbs one pony at \$45 and one to Anthony Creasey for \$40.

C. Householder sold a car of sheep in St. Louis last week for 61-2 cents.

Clark & Bledsoe sold to Powell and Munday 2 cars of 250 lb. hogs at 71-2 cents.

Judge Barnes delivered to S. R. Craighead a load of 1385 lb. cattle, at 7 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. O'Brien gave a turkey dinner to their relatives and friends on Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien formerly lived here and the writer can testify to their hospitality. They will be residents of Mexico after next week, having sold their farm.

L. H. Heinland bought of E. P. Robinson 40 acres of land, possession at once.

Mrs. R. P. Tinsley visited her daughter, Mrs. Franklin in Mexico, this week.

The C. P. Robinson sale was well attended Friday. Stock sold very well.

Alvin Sellers and wife entertained on Thanksgiving with an old-fashioned chicken pie dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Considine are in St. Louis.

Mrs. J. J. Cogswell is home from a visit in Centralia.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bledsoe had a number of their relatives and friends at a turkey dinner on Thanksgiving.

Joe Considine made the following sales and purchases this week: To Evans and McLaughlins of Kansas City, 32 head of yearling mules at \$140 each; bought 5 two

year old mules of D. W. Stewart for \$140 per head, and 9 aged mules of C. H. Dean at \$210 each, and 9 aged mules from Geo. Mayes for \$160 per head, and 11 123 lb. hogs of R. L. Davis at \$7.35; shipped out by Wabash 3 cars sheep Sunday, delivered to S. R. Craighead one car 1384 lbs. cattle at 61-2c, brought 7 cents in Chicago.

Mrs. Lottie Crews of this place was married to W. H. Pulis of Centralia last Wednesday afternoon by Rev. W. D. Pulis. The groom is a son of J. D. Pulis of this place and is a man of good moral habits and is in every way worthy of the one he has taken for his companion. The bride has lived in our village for over a year, and has made a host of friends. They will reside on a farm just west of Centralia.

We record the death of one of our good men, Samuel Brown. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. H. Eeton, Saturday morning, Nov. 27, at 6 o'clock. He was born Jan. 1, 1835, in Virginia. Came to Missouri in 1842. He joined the Baptist church at the age of 18 years and kept this faith up to death. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Beatty in 1861. He is survived by his wife and five children. His funeral was preached Monday at 11 o'clock at Hopewell church, by Rev. Clarence Long. Thence his remains were followed by a large number of relatives and friends to the Mexico cemetery.

Clark & Bledsoe sold two cars of hogs to Powell & Mundy, weight 250 lbs., at 71-2 cents.

One of the largest shipments that ever came to our town arrived over the C. & A. Friday night. They belonged to Clark & Bledsoe, and consisted of 18 car loads, 16 of cattle and two of hogs. They bought them in Texas and shipped them to this place. Scores of people are taking a look at this large herd.

Judge S. C. Groves sold a car of hogs Monday at \$7.75.

A. J. Hall sold one hog Monday to Joe Considine that brought him \$28.00.

A Thanksgiving Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Eeton, north-east of Benton City, entertained in honor of Mrs. Eeton's parents' 40th wedding anniversary. A four-course dinner was served. The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coakley and three children, Misses Mary and Nora and Geo. Coakley; Mr. C. C. Perry and family, and Miss Elizabeth Eeton. It is needless to say the dinner was fine, and all had a happy time. The guests departed for home late in the evening, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Coakley many more happy wedding anniversaries.

Mr. Brown Dead.

Samuel Brown died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. H. Eeton, near Thompson, last Saturday morning. Two other daughters also survive him. Mrs. I. B. Jesse of Hereford, Texas, and Miss Mary Brown, of this county; also two sons, Samuel and Ed Brown, of this county.

Mexico Prize Winners.

The Tri-County Poultry Show at Vandalia last week was a great success. A number of Mexico people had birds on exhibition and they won prizes as follows:

Lewis McKee, Barred Rocks: first on pen; first on hen, second on cockerell, third on cock.

Mrs. Harry Drebbing, Barred Rocks: first on cock, second on hen, third on pen.

Mrs. C. C. Wonneman, Buff Rocks: first on pullet, second on cockerell, third on cock, third on pen.

W. T. Wilkerson: Everything on Houdans, White Crested, Black Polish and third on Barred Rock pullet.

COSTLY HOGS.

DAN QUINLAN'S MOVE—JOHN DAVIDSON TO COME TO MEXICO.

Mr. S. M. Stokes of Kentucky Becomes an Audrain County Citizen.

Price Bros., southwest of Mexico, raised a great crop of corn this season. Some of it is yielding 70 and 75 bushels to the acre.

C. Householder sold 114 yearling sheep at National Stock Yards last week. They were of his own feeding and averaged 98 pounds and brought \$6.50.

James Quinlan sold to A. P. Stuart of Pilot Grove, Mo., a two months old Chester White boar last week, getting \$20. Mr. Quinlan expressed the pig last Saturday.

Repeated from the Paris Appeal: C. M. Robinson, north of Tulip, sold 160 acres half a mile west of Thompsonville known as the Wm. Moore place, to Mr. Mundy, of Mexico, at \$50 an acre.

Wm. Mohn, of near Hutchison, Ralls County, has bought a third interest in the Mexico Automobile Company.

J. C. Lower, north of Rush Hill, was here last Saturday. He owns 400 acres of land in that community, 160 acres of it he thinks the best piece of dirt in the county. Mr. Lower came to Audrain county four years ago from Atchison county, Kansas. He thinks Missouri all right.

The Paris Appeal states that Ernest Smiley bought the Wade Wood place, 80 acres, near Long Branch, at \$50. George Vanlandingham bought the Patterson place, 80 acres in same vicinity, at same price.

"The scarcity of stock cattle and the high price they command has had a bearing on feeding operations for the winter. Then, on the other hand, with corn selling at 50@55c and the price of cotton seed, meal and cake higher than last year, conditions point to a more moderate number of steers to be fed the coming winter," remarked M. A. Dowding, a regular shipper of Boone, Callaway and Audrain counties, Mo., to the St. Louis Live Stock Reporter a few days ago. "While no doubt this has been the cry the last several years, I really believe that the number conditioned will be lighter than usual. Now this in particular will be the case with long-fed steers and the majority of stockmen that I have talked to are going to feed from three to six months as a rule. The rain fall in my part of the state has been pretty heavy of late and the ground is wet enough now without any further rains for some time. Notwithstanding the warm weather and moisture the growth of the winter wheat has not been too strong and in general this crop looks to be in pretty favorable condition."

Says the Auxvasse Review: McDonald & Lockridge, over in the edge of Audrain, sold five mules the other day to Atterberry & Edmonds. They got \$165 a head for two of them and \$120 around for the rest of them.

Sam Turner sold M. W. Naxera, of Pike county, two hogs last Friday which weighed 1,090 lbs. and brought him \$70.70. This is some hog and the price is more than we paid for cows a few years ago.

The Pike Co. News comments: Green Gant who was digging a well on his newly purchased 80 acre farm 3 miles southwest of Mexico, struck coal at a depth of 130 feet. The vein is 3 feet thick and covered by a thick coat of rock. Audrain is underlaid with great coal deposits, and it is possible that Vandalia when boring for her deep well for water works may strike another big paying vein.

G. P. Naylor marketed of his own feeding from Audrain county, 124 head of western yearlings at \$6.60. They averaged 91 lbs.

John Davidson has sold his home in Wellsville and will move to Mexico. The Wellsville Optician says he and family are good people.

W. F. Settle has sold J. H. Lane three lots in Lakenan & Barnes' Addition for \$500.

B. R. Middleton is feeding 36 mules on his farm, southeast of Mexico.

Neal Shahan has bought 40 acres of timber land of Frank McClure, southeast of Mexico, paying \$1,000.

James Quinlan sold 20 heifer calves to Virgil Stuart last week at \$20 per head. Mr. Quinlan bought the calves recently at the Shobe Bros. sale near Laddonia.

Joseph Considine, a well known sheep man of Audrain county, Mo., says the Live Stock Reporter, had in of his own feeding, 293 head that averaged 98 lbs. and brought \$6.60.

W. U. Coil at Laddonia shipped a load of hogs to the market this week, also two loads of butcher stuff. Mr. Coil bought of Pole Bishop a horse for \$100.

Dan Quinlan moves this week from near Benton City to the farm he recently purchased northwest of Mexico. S. W. Stokes of Fulton, Ky., bought Mr. Quinlan's Benton City place and he and his wife moved in this week. The Message joins all the good neighbors down Benton City way in welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Stokes to the county.

Miss Canthorn Married.

Miss Carrie Canthorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Canthorn of this city, and Mr. Everett Blackman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blackman of this city, were married at the home of the bride's parents last Saturday. Rev. W. M. White officiating. The bridegroom is a prominent employe on the C. & A. railroad; he gets one of Mexico's lovable girls as a wife. Our best wishes extended them.

Editor Devault Married.

Mr. J. B. Devault, editor of the Martinsburg Oracle, and Miss Effie D. Walker, of the same city, came to Mexico last Sunday at noon and were united in marriage by Rev. A. A. Wallace. Brother, we know you are a square fellow, and all right. Your bride is also a lovely and highly esteemed young woman—our congratulations and very best wishes extended both of you.

Married Last Week.

Mr. Grover C. Valentine, a hustling young farmer of near Rush Hill, and Miss Margaret Shahan, the estimable daughter of Mrs. Mary Shahan, southeast of Mexico, were united in marriage the 24th inst., in Mexico, Father J. J. Dillon officiating. The Message extends them congratulations and very best wishes for happiness and prosperity.

Miss Kunkle to Wed.

The coming marriage of Miss Evangeline Morris Kunkle, daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. George H. Kunkle, to Mr. Clarence Alvin Lucas, of Pembroke, Va., is announced to take place on December 7th at the home of the bride-to-be's parents, in this city.

Mr. Lucas is a young man of high moral worth and he wins an accomplished and charming bride. We venture them in advance our congratulations and best wishes.

OVER \$65,000.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE ELECTRIC RAILROAD.

A Little More Pulling and the \$80,000 Will be Raised.

The following is a list of subscriptions made for the electric R. R. bonds. It includes some subscriptions that are contingent and the conditions may not be complied with. It will therefore be necessary to secure more than the total \$80,000, to make the amount sure.

A number of subscriptions, some of them large, are sure to come in yet. These and any increase made by those in this list will be published as they are made.

The following are those who have subscribed \$2,000 each: Matthias Crum, Lakenan & Barnes, Wm. Pollock & Son, J. T. Johnson, S. M. Locke.

Those who have subscribed as much as \$1,500 each: W. H. French.

Those who have subscribed \$1,000 each: C. F. Clark, S. P. Emmons, C. W. Lewis, R. V. Montague, Fr. J. J. Dillon, Coatsworth Lumber Co., A. D. Jackson, R. M. White & Son, Llewellyn & Sons, Wm. F. Atkinson, W. W. Botts, C. C. Heizer, W. L. Craddock, Mexico El. Light Co., F. L. Crosby, Fred A. Morris, Apple Realty Co.

Those who have subscribed \$500 each: Champ Clark, C. P. Dunlap, Hall & McIntyre, Miss Ida Rosamond, J. A. Guthrie, J. C. King, Lane & Buckner, Thos. P. Roden, R. D. Worrell, Incognito, W. W. Johnson, W. J. Botts, Kemp & Pearson, H. H. Meyer, B. R. Middleton, W. L. Fowles, J. W. Lee & Son, Crown Laundry Co., Dr. Pinekney French, St. Louis; C. B. Lyman, E. V. Layson & sisters.

Those who have subscribed \$250 each: G. R. Winn, John Beal, J. S. Beamer, R. D. Rodgers, C. E. Leeper, J. W. Gallagher & Co., Dr. J. G. Moore, Smith Bros. Grocery Co., Geo. H. Randle, W. J. Morris, Shoe Factory; August Meyer, G. W. Robertson, Fredendall & Wilkins, Abbey & Adams, Dr. P. E. Coil, L. B. Hawthorne, C. A. Buckner, C. A. Rothwell, Elizabeth Dahlem, Williams & Sharp, M. T. Vandegrift, L. N. Ketter, R. L. Phillips, J. C. Mundy, Joe Steinman, Joseph B. Botkin, Griffice & Martin, O. Poisson, E. H. Carter, D. F. Gillett, F. W. Brand, J. M. Dyke, J. B. Graham, I. T. McCue, T. J. Hoxsey, Pilcher Jewelry Co., I. M. Greer, T. E. Hook, P. L. Hanley, A. C. White, W. S. Hathaway, Joseph Barth, E. O. Morris & Son, T. J. Gibson, J. W. Dry, A. T. Smock, S. & N. Phillip, J. R. Jesse, S. S. Howard, W. M. White, J. O. Tinsley, J. P. Sanford, Ferris & Canthorn, T. J. Kelso, G. A. Breck, John T. Ricketts, A. K. Luckie, Wilkins & Brown, A. H. Whitney, N. R. Rodes, C. R. Brown, W. E. West, D. H. Bren-ton, McLoney & Co., M. H. Heizer, G. L. Ferris, Bert F. Wells, Dr. Frank Spence, C. H. Hamilton, Dr. Theo. H. Winans, E. G. Smith, F. A. Sannbeck, Geo. Boomer, R. G. Boyd, J. W. Woodbridge, S. P. Guthrie, Joe B. Daniel, Smith-Peterson Coal Co., W. R. Sallee & Aug. Weber, B. A. Powell, J. X. Brown, Haskell Bros., Dr. K. R. Bragg, Dr. Robt. C. Strode, Geo. Robertson, F. M. Ragsdale, 99c Store; J. E. Blum, Frank Jesse, Paul St. Vrain, S. R. Finley, D. C. Haskell, Otis Purdy, J. G. Ford, D. M. Roberts, Geo. H. Kunkel, T. A. Threlkeld, C. W. Candy, W. H. Redmond, Roy Ferris, C. W. Strain, H. E. C. Tucker, Geo. W. Nash, Elon Dealing.

SKINNER.

Judge Carter Re-sells Farm—Box Socials and Other Matters.

James G. Crawford and Frank Weinan each have a new corn dump, and the way corn does fly down there this fall.

Several of our farmers are thru, or nearly thru, gathering their this year's crop of corn. Our genial merchants, the two Charleys, led the way.

Alvin Ehret left Sunday for Kirksville where he will enter the State Normal School. Alvin is a fine boy, and we feel he will make progress in school.

Judge Alex Carter resold the D. W. Butler farm, which he purchased about five weeks ago, at a nice profit of \$6.50 per acre, getting \$62.50 per acre for the 130 acres.

At the Fox box social Tuesday night last was a great success, both in attendance and amount realized, which was a little over \$43.00, we learn. Miss Belle Ehret was voted the most popular young lady, with Miss Otie Baker a close second. In fact, so close was the contest that it was talked of dividing the cake. Cake brought \$23.00.

Miss Effie Faddis of Centralia was out in this vicinity visiting friends recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Payton Roberts spent Sunday here with O. F. Ellis and T. J. Gatewood and families.

Miss Mattie King is ill of rheumatism of late. A little improved, we are glad to state.

Little Mary Candy, daughter of Walter Candy, who recently lost his wife, in Mexico, is at her grandparents, C. A. Candys, where she will make her home.

Miss Callie Berrey entertained in honor of Miss Edna Gant Saturday night a number of her friends.

Miss Frances Wildley spent Thanksgiving holidays at home.

James Chapman is feeding a load of good mules that he recently bought in Northern Mo.

Rev. Mitchell filled his regular appointment at Bethlehem Saturday and Sunday. Saturday afternoon he was telephoned to come preach the funeral of Bro. Gibbs, Sunday, at Auxvasse. This he did at 10 o'clock Sunday and was back in his pulpit Sunday night.

Rev. Tipton of Columbia, has accepted the call to pastorate of Bethlehem for the ensuing year.

Misses Simmons of Columbia, accompanied Miss Ethel Baker home to spend Thanksgiving holidays.

Mrs. Coons Dead.

Mrs. Frank Coons, 72 years of age, after a long illness, died at her home in this city early Monday morning. The husband and four daughters and a son survive her. The children are: Mrs. Ross Canthorn, Mrs. Roy Ferris and Miss Nellie Coons, of this city; Mrs. Thomas Smith of Boone county, and Grover Coons, of Callaway county. Deceased was a native of Callaway county, and before her marriage was Miss Angelina Dunean.

Rev. W. M. White held funeral service at the home Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Coons had been a member of the Christian church since girlhood; she was a splendid Christian character.

John Gorman Dead.

John Gorman, 70 years of age, died at the Clarkson Hotel last Thursday night of heart trouble. He had been in failing health for a year or more. A wife survives him. The remains were shipped to Bookgrove, Iowa, his former home, for burial. He had come here for medical treatment.

HORSELESS PLOW.

DON'T PUT BAD EGGS ON THE MARKET—WOODMEN NEIGHBORS.

Released on a Charge of Delivering Catalpa Trees on Sunday.

In Montgomery county the jury failed to agree in the case against a nursery agent and his wife for delivering catalpa trees on Sunday, four favoring acquittal and eight conviction. The defendants claimed that their stock was perishable and that the prosecuting witness, Joe Brown of near Bellflower, had them arrested because they made him pay for \$50 worth of trees he had ordered. They also swore that he was washing his buggy when they delivered the trees.

Ralph Eller, near Auxvasse, has been sick all fall and not able to gather his corn. He is a member of the Woodmen lodge. The other day a number of his Woodmen neighbors went to his field and gathered the corn and hauled it and the fodder in. "He is my brother and friend who has mercy on me."

Miss Sallie Conner of Mexico visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Conner, at Auxvasse, last week.

A horseless plow on David Arnold's farm south of Paris is attracting much attention in that vicinity. Its motor develops 20 horsepower and it is rigged with sufficient plows to turn 6 furrows in sod land at one time. Its initial job will be the breaking out of a 200-acre pasture that will be devoted to corn next season. The outfit belongs to Ed Mitchell, an enterprising colored man.

Farmers should remember that the pure food law holds them responsible if bad eggs are put on the market by them. It is unsafe to hold them too long or the fine might be a good deal more than the profit.

The Fulton Gazette says: Geo. L. Black, a substantial and enterprising young farmer, living two miles east of Hereford, was married Thursday at Laddonia, Audrain county, to Miss Cina Azell, a member of a prominent family of that section. Rev. Sam Wood, of Auxvasse, was the officiating minister. Mr. and Mrs. Black returned to Callaway that afternoon and will immediately go to housekeeping on the groom's farm. The Gazette extends congratulations.

The Fulton Woman's Club, to which the town is indebted for its public library and other important civic improvements, at a meeting last week, approved a letter to be sent to the officials of the Chicago & Alton railroad company asking that a new and attractive station be erected in Fulton at an early date to take the place of the station burned several weeks ago.

A freshman at the state university shaved off his "sideburns" to keep the sophomores from doing it. The college paper said he "took time by the forelock."

Fines aggregating \$8,300 were assessed in the Chariton county circuit court last week against violators of the local option law. One former saloon-keeper was fined \$4,500 and another \$3,500, and another person \$300. C. M. Hay, of Fulton, assisted in the prosecution of the cases.

The Auxvasse Review says: T. J. Bates, the senior member of the firm, will move to Mexico to reside. Callaway is losing some mighty good men lately, and Mexico is to be congratulated on the accession of the Pledge Bros. and Mr. Bates.

Mrs. L. A. Bybee is visiting in Pleasant Hill, Mo.